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Truro's Eric Banks shoots from the rough on the 10th green at the new course at Ashburn during the opening round of the Nova Scotia Open on Thursday. Banks, an amateur who fired a 75 in Round 1, is 12 shots behind the leader, Jose de Jesus Rodriguez. For coverage, see page 25. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Arthur set to blow into town

Atlantic hurricane season. Storm grew to Category 2 Thursday



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The Canadian Hurricane Centre says the first named storm of the Atlantic hurricane season appears poised to hit Nova Scotia with strong winds just shy of hurricane strength.

"If the track doesn't change, I'm going to prepare for wind in Halifax," said senior forecaster Bob Robichaud Thursday afternoon. "I won't be too concerned about rain unless the wind blows off some of my shingles."

Arthur grew to a Category 2 hurricane Thursday, with top winds of about 150 kilometres an hour.

Robichaud says that means the system, expected to affect

Quoted

"If the storm goes to the north of us, we should be on the windy side." Meteorologist Bob Robichaud

Halifax around midday Saturday, will be a strong post-tropical storm packing winds from 60 to 70 kilometres an hour with gusts of up to 100.

Arthur threatened to give North Carolina a glancing blow on Friday, prompting thousands of vacationers and residents celebrating Independence Day to leave parts of the state's popular but flood-prone Outer Banks.

In Boston, one of America's signature Fourth of July events, the annual Boston Pops outdoor concert and fireworks show, was moved up a day because of potential heavy rain ahead of the hurricane.

Robichaud said the error in the track on Thursday afternoon suggested the system

could arrive anywhere from the Bay of Fundy to the ocean between Nova Scotia and Sable Island.

He said that error will reduce over time, but it will still be difficult to pinpoint where Arthur will make landfall.

Environment Canada issued a tropical storm watch for Nova Scotia counties along the Atlantic-facing coast Thursday afternoon, and an advisory from the provincial Emergency Management Office came soon afterwards.

The advisory urges residents to have enough non-perishable food and bottled water for 72 hours, and to secure outdoor furniture, garbage cans and hanging plants.

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Events around town

Arthur arrives in time to catch tee-offs, jazz fest

Golfers and music lovers across the city are hoping Hurricane Arthur doesn't create too much of a mess this weekend.

The Web.com Tour's Nova Scotia Open kicked off Thursday, and tournament director Grant MacDonald said a meteorologist is on site at Ashburn Golf Club "monitoring the situation ... up to the minute."

"We just don't know if this is going to be a rain event, if it's going to be a wind event or if it will be both."

The hurricane is forecasted to become a post-tropical storm when it crosses over the province Saturday with winds gusting up to 90 km/h.

MacDonald said there could be two 18-hole rounds on the same day or a shortened 54-hole tournament, "but even that is speculation."

The Stan Rogers Folk Festival was cancelled Wednesday, but the Halifax Jazz Festival's artistic director said that event is waiting to call off anything.

"We're not that worried.... It seems to be fading, and it's supposed to downgrade to just a bunch of rain on Saturday," said Laura (Lulu) Healy.

Healy said the jazz festival will post its decision on the festival website Saturday, adding many shows have been held in the rain.

The Atlantic Film Festival also moved its outdoor showing of Ghostbusters at Alderney Landing's Ferry Terminal Park from Saturday to July 12.

HALEY RYAN/METRO, WITH FILES FROM KRISTEN LIPSCOMBE



A man uses his skimboard at Wrightsville Beach, N.C., Thursday. Residents along the coast of North Carolina are bracing for the arrival of the Hurricane Arthur, a Category 1 storm that is expected to hit Nova Scotia by Saturday. MIKE SPENCER/ WILMINGTON STAR-NEWS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Outsourcing could keep you in dark longer: Union

Hurricane Arthur. But Nova Scotia Power says it has sufficient resources to prepare for storm



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A union that represents Nova Scotia Power employees is warning residents to be prepared for lengthy power outages caused by Hurricane Arthur on Saturday, because of a reduction in the number of line

workers at the company.

"We want to make sure that people are aware that even if we're putting the power back on and there are delays, it's not because we're not out there," said Andrea McQuillin of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1928. "It's because of the direction that Nova Scotia Power has taken."

NSP announced recently that it would contract out some services, including line inspection and capital work, in an effort to cut costs.

No layoffs had happened as of mid-June, but the union said

Thursday that 21 line workers had either left NSP or retired over the past year, and those positions hadn't been filled — leaving 167 in-house line workers on the job.

With fewer in-house crews available to respond on Saturday, McQuillin said it will be up to NSP's contractors — employed through the affiliate company Emera Utility Services — to fill the gaps.

"NSP doesn't have the resources. I wonder whether Emera Utility Services has all the resources required," she said. "This remains to be seen, but certainly the number of line-

men is fewer."

NSP spokesperson Neera Ritcey said the "robust" planning process for Saturday's storm started days ago with monitoring the forecast.

She said the company is confident it has sufficient contractors and in-house line workers to manage outages, though she wouldn't say how many of the roughly 170 NSP employees will be standing by.

"There's never really one figure that you need in a storm. It can change, it depends on the needs of the storm, and we have sufficient resources at our disposal for that," said Ritcey.

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Milos Raonic of Canada plays a return to Kei Nishikori of Japan during their men's singles match at the All England Lawn Tennis Championships in Wimbledon, London on Tuesday. Inset: Martin Laurendeau, Canada's Davis Cup captain. SANG TAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS; BRAEDON CLARK/METRO

Davis Cup match hitting Halifax

Tennis Canada.

Playoff match against Colombia to be held at Metro Centre; Raonic expected to play

BRAEDON CLARK

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Tennis in Canada has never been hotter, and Halifax will soon be basking in that warm glow.

Against a backdrop of Canada's Milos Raonic and Eugenie Bouchard both making historic runs at Wimbledon, Tennis Canada announced on Thursday the Metro Centre will play host to a Davis Cup World Group playoff match between Canada and Colombia.

The men's tennis event will run from Sept. 12 to 14. Tickets will go on sale July 15 through Ticket Atlantic.

Quoted

"This is a great day for Halifax and a great day for the sport of tennis."

Mayor Mike Savage

According to Gavin Ziv, Tennis Canada's director of national events, the tickets will cost between \$30 and \$50. This represents the highest-level tennis event ever to come to Halifax.

"It will be a great privilege for this city to see this level of tennis," said Martin Laurendeau, Canada's Davis Cup captain.

Along with Halifax Mayor Mike Savage and other dignitaries, Laurendeau was on hand for the official announcement at the Nova Scotia Sports Hall of Fame on Thursday morning.

The capacity for the event will be about 4,500, and Laurendeau said home support will be

critical for what will be a must-win match.

"Hopefully by the time September rolls around, the place will be full," he said.

The four team members for Canada will be announced later, but it's expected Canadian tennis star Milos Raonic will be competing and leading the charge.

Both Canada and Colombia are playing for the right to stay in the World Group, the top level of the Davis Cup.

Injuries to Raonic and Vasek Pospisil of Vancouver — Canada's top two men's singles players — contributed to a disappointing 4-1 loss to Japan in February, forcing Canada to play this World Group playoff match-up.

The province and HRM both put up \$65,000 in grants to bring the event to Halifax.

"We consider it a great investment that will draw national and global attention to our city," Savage said.

Police contact

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pened around several busy streets, including Barrington, Duke, Prince, Argyle, Blowers and Lower Water.

Police say the fires usually set between 3 and 9 p.m. All have put out quickly, with limited damage, and no one was injured. There is no description of a suspect. **METRO**

Over a dozen suspicious fires set in peninsular Halifax

Police in Halifax are asking for the public's help in a string of suspicious fires over the past month.

Halifax Regional Police say firefighters have responded to 14 calls, since June 1, of either mailboxes or garbage cans being set on fire in peninsular Halifax. The fires have hap-

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Court. Settlement approved for military veterans with disabilities

A Federal Court judge has approved a \$38.6-million settlement for Canadian military veterans with disabilities who won a lawsuit against the federal government last year, lawyers for the veterans said Thursday.

The veterans were originally awarded \$887.8-million over the long-standing federal practice of clawing back the military pensions of injured soldiers by the amount of disability payments they received.

The latest amount approved was for a settlement on the cost of living provisions in that agreement.

The lawyers for the veterans said they found a miscalculation in the way the federal government determined the cost of living allowance for military veterans.

The original class action was initiated in March 2007 on behalf of representative plaintiff Dennis Manuge and other disabled Can-

Payments

- Lawyers say the payments begin in January 2015 and will be paid out over a year.

adian Forces veterans affected by the clawbacks.

The lawsuit started with 8,000 people, but the \$38.6-million settlement includes another 6,000 veterans who were not subject to a wrongful offset of their benefits, but whose cost of living allowances were also miscalculated.

Lawyers for the plaintiffs have said the cost of living issue wasn't included as part of the original settlement because there wasn't enough time and the two sides agreed to deal with it at a later date.

Manuge has said the issue has been resolved fairly and reasonably.

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Nova Scotia signs new tax agreement with the feds

'Funding will flow'

Deal, over 10 years, worth close to \$600M

Nova Scotia municipalities can count on the flow of federal gas tax dollars for at least the next decade after an agreement was signed in Halifax on Thursday.

Justice Minister Peter MacKay signed the agreement, set to run through 2023-24, with Premier Stephen McNeil at Pier 21. Both spoke highly of how the 10-year, \$580 million deal will help their home province deal with its infrastructure issues.

"The funding will flow directly to communities," MacKay said. "These are the types of issues I hear about when I talk to mayors."

"This is significant from a planning point of view," McNeil said. "The municipalities know the money will be there for years so it allows them to



Justice Minister Peter MacKay, left, and Premier Stephen McNeil at Thursday's announcement at Pier 21 in Halifax. BRAEDON CLARK/FOR METRO

make plans they couldn't have before."

In the 2014-15 fiscal year, the gas tax will amount to \$53 million, a slight decrease from last year due to the declining provincial population. The transfer amount is based on census data and could change when the next census is taken in 2016.

The list of projects that can receive gas tax funding has also expanded and includes everything from roads and bridges

to projects supporting culture, tourism and sport.

Kentville Mayor Dave Corkum, president of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities, said that the funding is a critical source of support for communities that are often cash-strapped.

"This is much-needed, stable funding for all municipalities," Corkum said, adding gas tax dollars have been used in Kentville for flood mitigation and trail development.

In numbers

\$53M

Amount Nova Scotia will receive during 2014-15 fiscal year as part of the federal Gas Tax Fund transfer.

Gas tax transfers will now also be indexed by two per cent, meaning they will likely keep pace with inflation over the 10 years of the agreement.

While the announcement was largely a good news event for the province, McNeil acknowledged federal funding alone won't be able to solve the province's infrastructure needs.

"No question," he said when asked if municipalities need more assistance.

Even so, McNeil made it clear that the long-term nature of the new deal would be a major help as municipalities plan for an always uncertain future.

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New sounds coming to town for Halifax Jazz Fest

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This year's Halifax Jazz Festival is celebrating a year of firsts: more free shows than ever before, the first time a Dartmouth show has been on the schedule, and the largest amount of headliners in its history.

Artistic director Laura (Lulu) Healy said she's excited about the 28th annual event from July 4 to 12, showcasing the likes of St. Vincent, Yasiin Bey (a.k.a. Mos Def), guitarist Bill Frisell and Bettye LaVette, as well as her personal favourite Robert Glasper.

"There's a lot more headliners than we've ever had in the past," Healy said.

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"We try to bring in people that have never been here before, and also long-time favourites."

Landing Annie Clark, better known by her stage name St. Vincent, was a case of not taking no for an answer, said Healy.

"I just kept going back and saying 'Please come,' and everybody was just jumping up and down ... in the office," she said about the moment the American musician signed on.

Healy said the singer-songwriter, known for her futuristic indie pop/rock music, "has some pretty great stage moves" and is bringing interesting lighting.

The Alderney Landing Theatre will host a festival show for the first time, Healy said, with Montreal's Susie Arioli.

Besides the usual free daytime shows, the festival is offering three free evenings including a Motown night, Gypsophilia and Lemon Bucket Orchestra, and closing night with the Jubilee Swing Orchestra featuring Nova Scotia favourites Carmen Townsend and Ben Caplan.

"There's a lot of chances to come down and check out shows at no cost and no risk," Healy said. "We just like be-



St. Vincent, also known as Annie Clark, performs onstage at the 29th Annual Rock And Roll Hall Of Fame Induction Ceremony at Barclays Center on April 10, 2014 in Brooklyn, New York. GETTY IMAGES

ing accessible."

Healy said the diversity of R&B, jazz, hip hop and many other styles makes the festi-

val unique, and with more than 55,000 people expected, it helps Halifax "come alive" with the main festival tent on

Lower Water Street.

"I just love walking around ... and seeing how happy people are when they're lis-

tening to the concerts," Healy said. "It's just my favourite to look out and see the audience having a great time."

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Aboriginal hires 'a great first step'

Halifax Shipyard.

Four new employees coming from Mi'kmaq training program

Irving Shipbuilding says it is employing aboriginal workers who graduated from a Mi'kmaq training program as a first step toward recruiting more workers from minority groups.

The company says four Mi'kmaq tradespeople are working on siding, cladding and roofing at the yard through a contract Irving awarded to Flynn Canada Ltd.

Company president Kevin McCoy says Flynn won a \$10-million contract for the work partly because it was making use of a program based in Sydney that trains Mi'kmaq tradespeople.

"What we've got here is a great first step, and we want to highlight that and we want to remind the other compan-

ies that this is possible," he said.

McCoy anticipates the shipyard will be hiring more Mi'kmaq tradespeople through the 21-week training program but declined to provide a specific target or give a current figure for the number of aboriginal workers in Halifax.

Construction of the Arctic offshore patrol vessels is expected to begin next year, and the yard is building facilities for that project.

Doug Flynn, chief executive of Flynn, said he will continue hiring from the aboriginal training program.

"We'll certainly look at as many as we can," he said.

Going forward

"We're looking at a long-term relationship with the Mi'kmaq people that can provide qualified labour."

Doug Flynn, chief executive of Flynn Canada Ltd.

The company says it has been keeping the Mi'kmaq Economic Benefits Office of Nova Scotia informed of the skills it needs to allow the agency to tailor training toward the shipbuilding industry.

Irving won a \$25-billion contract in 2011 to build Canada's next generation of warships.

Jeremy Stephens, a 22-year-old from Indian Brook First Nation, said he has gone from unemployment to finding work as a sheet-metal worker and roofer through the Mi'kmaq training program.

"It's meant a lot. I was doing nothing ... and I saw this opportunity and here I am," he said. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Jeremy Stephens of the Indian Brook First Nation talks with reporters at Irving Shipbuilding in Halifax on Thursday. ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Man hurt as crane hits power line



The crane sits idle in Bedford on Thursday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Nova Scotia Power says thousands of customers in Bedford were without power on Thursday morning after a crane hit a power line, injuring a 48-year-old man in the process.

Spokeswoman Neera Ritcey says a boom truck with a crane attached to it hit the line in Bedford around 7:30 a.m.

The utility's website says

Affected

3,200

The number of people who lost power

power was mostly restored by 11 a.m., but about 500 customers had to wait until around 4 p.m. for their lights to come back on.

A 48-year-old man was in the chair bucket at the time and suffered an electric shock, said Halifax Regional Police spokesman Const. Pierre Bourdages.

Bourdages didn't have an update on the man's condition but said he was conscious and breathing when taken to hospital by paramedics.

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Frigates getting radar upgrades

The federal government is spending \$18.5 million to upgrade the radar systems used aboard the Royal Canadian Navy's 12 frigates.

Federal Justice Minister Peter MacKay, the regional minister for Nova Scotia, made the announcement Thursday at Canadian Forces Base Halifax.

Each of the warships is equipped with radar systems that are paired with weapons-control systems that can track threats from aircraft, ships and missiles.

The work is part of the ongoing modernization of the Halifax-class vessels, which includes giving each ship a new command-and-control system, new electronic-warfare system and upgraded communications technologies and missiles. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Victim identified

Foul play ruled out in discovery of female body

Police are ruling out foul play after getting the autopsy results from a female body found in the community of Westville on Monday.

The woman has been identified as 60-year-old Jessie Burke.

Westville Police Chief Donald Husher said the investigation will still continue, likely for another two days, possibly more.

The woman's body was found in the woods near the intersection of Office and Diamond streets in Westville on Monday afternoon.

NEW GLASGOW NEWS

Impersonation

'Yeah, I'm a cop. Hand over all of your booze.'

A man in his 70s was observed impersonating a police officer at Aylesford Lake this past Canada Day.

RCMP say a 74-year-old was patrolling the beach on Tuesday, flashing a badge and confiscating any liquor he found.

Off-duty members stopped the man and warned him about his ploy at about 3:30 p.m.

No charges were laid.

KENTVILLE REGISTER

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Sydney Forks

Squirrel returned due to insufficient postage

A squirrel may have been looking to escape the heat and ship himself out to a cooler postal code when he managed to get into an outgoing mail slot of a community mailbox.

A Canada Post spokesman said it occurred recently on Morley Road in the Sydney Forks area.

"There was two pieces of mail from one customer that were a bit ripped up, but other than that, that's the (extent of it)," said John Caines.

Canada Post called in a pest-control company to move the squirrel. **CAPE BRETON POST**



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One day, the sheep had an idea and ran to see the wolf. "I have to talk to you!" she shouted. He stopped what he was doing and listened. "Let's build a flying machine!"

"Do you think it's that simple?! You spend too much time watching the birds in the sky," said the wolf, shaking his head. But eventually the sheep's dream got the better of the wolf's doubts, and they started working on the machine together.

They gathered fabric and rods and followed the plans they had designed. When they were ready, they started the machine and took off into the sky. But the fabric wasn't strong enough. It soon ripped and they tumbled to the ground. "Let's try again," said the sheep, and she blew up some balloons.

"Hold tight!" she shouted. This time, as soon as they got the machine off the ground, birds popped the balloons. "Oh dear!" shouted the wolf. "This is never going to work!" But they decided to try one more time. The sheep had a new idea. She got the wolf to cut out a dragon's tail, while she cut out a head. This time, it worked. They were flying! And, steadily and surely, they continued to fly.

Someone once wrote that only those who dream learn to fly. "See?" said the sheep. "What did I tell you?" "Anything is possible," admitted the wolf. The sky before them was wide open.

Mr. King's Castle



AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR: Geneviève Côté
PUBLISHED BY: Kids Can Press

Mr. King lives on top of a BIG hill. He wants to build himself a BIG castle. Mr. King likes BIG things. CHOP! CHOP! CHOP! Mr. King starts chopping off blocks to build his castle. He is too busy to notice the BIG holes he is leaving behind.

CHOP! CHOP! CHOP! Mr. King's friends come running. "What is that NOISE?" "What are these HOLES?" "What are these BLOCKS?"

Mr. King is too busy to hear them. Block by block, bit by bit, his castle is getting BIGGER and BIGGER.

Mr. King chops until there is nothing left to chop and builds until there is nothing left to build with. Then he stops and proudly looks out the window. "Hmm...there isn't much of a view," says Mr. King.

Down below, his friends are grumbling. "What happened to the hill?" ask Bert and Tex. "What happened to my favorite napping spot?" asks Harriet. "Where are the flowers?" wonders Old Jim Elk. "What happened to the grass I eat?" asks P.J. "And where is our secret stash of nuts?!" cry Skit and Skat. One by one, they gather under the castle window. Everyone is staring at Mr. King, and suddenly he feels very small.

"Uh-oh. That was a BIG mistake," he says after a while. "Maybe I should put everything back."

"YAY!!!" All his friends jump up to help. Together they start taking down the BIG castle, block by block, bit by bit. And block by block, bit by bit, they put everything back just like it was before.

...Well, ALMOST like it was before. "There is one piece left," says Mr. King. "But I don't see where it fits. What shall we do with it?"

After whispering to the others, Tex says: "Close your eyes. We have an idea." When Mr. King opens his eyes, his friends sing out "SURPRISE!!" Tonight, in his small castle, Mr. King is going to have a BIG party!



THE MOST MAGNIFICENT THING



AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR: Ashley Spires
PUBLISHED BY: Kids Can Press

This is a regular girl and her best friend in the whole wide world. They do all kinds of things together. They race. They eat. They explore. They relax. She makes things. He unmakes things.

One day, the girl has a wonderful idea. She is going to make the most MAGNIFICENT thing!

She knows just how it will look. She knows just how it will work. All she has to do is make it, and she makes things all the time. Easy-peasy!

First, she hires an assistant. Next, they gather their supplies. They set up somewhere out of the way and get to work.

The girl tinkers and hammers and measures...while her assistant pounces and growls and chews. When she is finished, she steps back to admire her work. She walks around one side. Her assistant examines the other side... It doesn't look right. Her assistant picks it up and gives it a shake. It doesn't feel right, either.



They are shocked to discover that the thing isn't magnificent. Or good. It isn't even kind-of-sort-of okay. It is all WRONG. The girl tosses it aside and gives it another go. She smooths and wrenches and fiddles. Her assistant circles and tugs and wags.

When she is finished, she stands up and takes a long look at it. Her assistant gives it a nudge with his paw. The thing is still wrong. She decides to try again.

SPORK



AUTHOR: Kyo Maclear
ILLUSTRATOR: Isabelle Arsenault
PUBLISHED BY: Kids Can Press

Spork was neither spoon nor fork...
...but a bit of both.

He had a mum and a dad...
...who both thought he was perfect just the way he was.

But Spork stuck out. In his kitchen, forks were forks and spoons were spoons. Cutlery customs were followed closely. Mixing was uncommon. Naturally, there were rule breakers: knives who loved chopsticks, tongs who married forks. But such families were unusual.

One day, after the billionth time he was asked "What are you, anyway?" and the zillionth time he was passed over when the table was being set...

...Spork sighed and thought, "It must be easier to be a single thing." And he decided he'd try to pick just one thing to be.

He thought he should start by fixing his head. He put on a bowler hat to look more spoonish. But the forks thought he was too round.



Then he made a paper crown to look more forkish. But the spoons thought he was too pointy. Spork wondered if there were other lonely creatures out there with no matching kind, who never got chosen to be at the table.

At dinnertime, he watched from the drawer while the spoons played pea hockey and skillfully balanced boiled eggs. He sat off to the side while the forks raked fancy patterns in the mashed potatoes and twirled noodles around in complicated circles like rhythmic gymnasts. And at the end of this and every other meal, Spork looked on while the others enjoyed a super-bubbly bath in the sink.

Until one morning, a messy thing arrived.

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Pistorius trial

Blade Runner a 'paradox': Physician

Oscar Pistorius is a "paradox" whose past triumphs as a sprinter crossing the finish line with raised arms contrasted sharply with the daily, severe limitations that he endured because of his disability, a physician testified

Thursday at the runner's murder trial.

Wayne Derman, a professor of sport and exercise medicine at the University of Cape Town, said in court that the contrast likely contributed to stress and anxiety for Pistorius, who fatally shot girlfriend Reeva Steenkamp through a closed toilet door in his home.

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Iraq

Kurdish leader calls for referendum

With large parts of Iraq in militant hands, a top Kurdish leader called on regional lawmakers Thursday to lay the groundwork for a referendum on independence — a vote that would likely spell the end of a unified

Iraq.

The recent blitz by Sunni militants across much of northern and western Iraq has given the country's 5 million Kurds — who have long agitated for independence — their best chance ever to seize disputed territory and move closer to a decades-old dream of their own state.

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Corruption

Ukrainian president shakes up military

Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko shook up his faltering military Thursday, appointing a new defence minister and top general while speaking angrily about the years

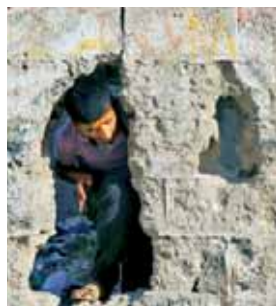
of decay and corruption that left the forces unable to deal effectively with the well-armed eastern insurgency.

His tougher tone, analysts say, reflects public pressure to continue the fight against the insurgents in the regions bordering Russia — even with a rickety military that's had little success.

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Israel bulks up forces on Gaza border

Hamas. Increased wave of rocket fire out of Gaza has further stoked tensions since three Israeli teens were found dead last week



A Palestinian looks through a hole near a Hamas training camp following an Israeli airstrike. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Israeli military rushed additional forces to its southern border with the Gaza Strip on Thursday, vowing to halt a growing wave of rocket fire from the Palestinian territory. Meanwhile, new clashes erupted in east Jerusalem in response to the death of an Arab boy who Palestinians say was killed by Israeli extremists.

Israel said the show of force on the Gaza border was a defence measure. But persistent rocket fire raised the prospects of a tough Israeli response, with the military saying more than 40 rockets or mortar shells were fired from Hamas-controlled Gaza on Thursday.

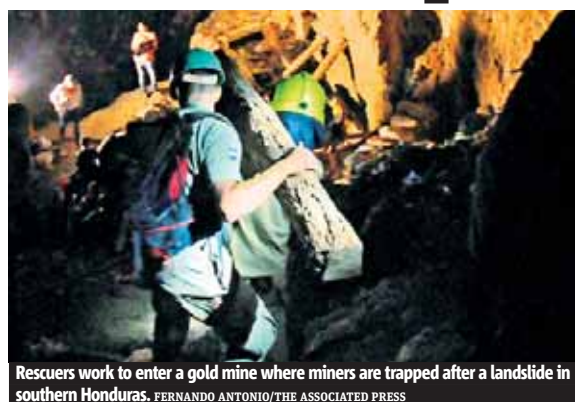
Tensions have been high since three Israeli teenagers were abducted in the West Bank on June 12, sparking a massive manhunt that ended with the discovery of their bodies early this week. Israel has blamed Hamas for the abductions and launched a crackdown on the Islamic militant group in the West Bank, drawing rocket attacks out of Gaza and Israeli airstrikes in a near-daily cycle of retaliation. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Bridge collapses amid Brazilian World Cup fever

A bus sits damaged after a bridge collapsed in Belo Horizonte, Brazil, on Thursday. The overpass under construction collapsed in the Brazilian World Cup host city. The incident took place on a main avenue, the expansion of which was part of the World Cup infrastructure plan but, like most urban mobility projects related to the World Cup, was not finished on time for the event. VICTOR R. CAIVANO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cave-in traps 11 miners in Honduras gold mine



Rescuers work to enter a gold mine where miners are trapped after a landslide in southern Honduras. FERNANDO ANTONIO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Rescue workers using picks and shovels cleared rubble Thursday trying to reach 11 miners trapped by a cave-in the previous day inside a wildcat gold mine in southern Honduras.

The men were trapped about 80 metres into the old gold mine in the town of El Corpus, fire department spokesman Oscar Triminio said.

The mine partially collapsed shortly after 22 miners entered to search for gold Wednesday. Half were able to get out on their own, Triminio said.

He said rescue crews were

not using heavy machinery because the mine "is unstable and could further collapse."

National Geological Institute director Agapito Rodriguez said that oxygen inside the mine was scarce and that three miners near the entrance were getting oxygen through an air duct.

He said those three had been able to communicate by shouting to rescue workers.

Mayor Luis Rueda said there are more than 50 mines in the area, some of them as much as 200 metres underground.

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Perilous work

This latest accident follows a spate of mining accidents over the past few months.

- **May 6.** Two contractors died in a mining accident in Lockerby Mine, near Sudbury, Ont.
- **May 13.** Two died after being trapped in a mine in Wharton, W.V.
- **May 13.** 301 died as a re-

sult of a fire at the Soma mine in Turkey. The fire burned until May 15.

- **June 12.** Seven miners died, 11 others rescued after lift collapses in Kadoma, Zimbabwe.
- **July 4.** A man was killed in a mine in New South Wales in Australia after being sucked into a pipe in Cobar.



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Sex killer Bernardo engaged?

'Love' behind bars.
There's nothing the government can do about it, says justice minister

Federal Justice Minister Peter MacKay says there's nothing the government can do to prevent Paul Bernardo from communicating with a woman who is reportedly planning to marry the convicted killer.

"That's not really an issue before the Justice Department," MacKay said Thursday.

"There hasn't been an action. There hasn't been preventative steps taken to prevent contact.... We can't stop a person from communicating through letters and emails unless there is something that is seen as harassing or criminal in its intent."

Convicted killer Paul Bernardo is serving an indeterminate sentence for the slayings of two schoolgirls, a dozen rapes and more than two dozen other sex offences — but there

Marriage to a convict

- If the marriage did take place, Corrections Canada would determine if Bernardo would be allowed to meet with his wife behind bars.
- Prisoners are permitted private visits of up to 72 hours once every two months. A former Millhaven inmate told Torstar that prisoners often are able to increase that visiting time in swaps with other inmates.

are still women who reportedly want to marry him.

The latest is reported to be a 30-year-old university graduate from London, Ont., who began corresponding with Bernardo last fall, according to QMI news agency.

Corrections Canada declines to comment on individual cases. But Tim Danson, a lawyer for the families of the murdered schoolgirls, has plenty

to say. "He should not be given any privileges," Danson told Torstar News Service Thursday.

He also said the woman who considers herself to be Bernardo's fiancée needs plenty of help. "People close to her have to reach out to her and save her from herself," he said. "Just the thought of it is disturbing."

Still, there are plenty of women who struggle to make contact with Bernardo through letters. One website for prisoners' families features a hot discussion on whether it's right to try to make contact with Bernardo.

"I write to Paul all the time, I send him cards and no I don't have a fetish for concrete!" a woman who identified herself as "shoes" wrote. "I have read many books on his crimes and for some reason I hold compassion for him. Its deep in my bones and I can't let it go."

Another woman, who identified herself as "brandy99," wrote that she can see a difference between Bernardo the man and Bernardo the criminal.

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Paul Bernardo and Karla Homolka are shown in this photo taken in the early years of their relationship in the late 1980s. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Bride-to-be

'Paul's girl' believes he is innocent

In a report published on Thursday, the Quebec-owned QMI does not name the 30-year-old bride-to-be. It says that even her family doesn't believe the ceremony behind bars will ever take place.

According to QMI, the couple first met last fall after she wrote Bernardo, and the bride-to-be believes he is innocent even though he made videos of his victims in captivity.

"He has convinced her that he didn't do this (rapes or murders)," her father told QMI.

QMI says the bride-to-be has a tattoo on her ankle that says "Paul's girl," and the engagement has caused tensions within her family.

Video helping in case of missing trio

Calgary police say closed-circuit video and tips from the public are bringing them closer to understanding what happened to a missing five-year-old boy and his grandparents.

But homicide unit Staff Sgt. Doug Andrus said investigators still don't have any

suspects they can name.

"But ... we have information that's allowed us to move forward with this investigation," Andrus said at a news conference Thursday.

"Are we closer than yesterday? I would say we are."

Nathan O'Brien and Alvin

and Kathy Liknes were reported missing Monday and police believe their disappearance is suspicious.

The boy had been at his grandparents' on a sleepover after the couple held an estate sale at their home on the weekend. Police have said

there was evidence the three may have been forced from the home.

Andrus said officers have closed-circuit video from homes and businesses near the Liknes' house and it's helping with the investigation. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Justin Bourque

Crown agrees to psych assessment for alleged New Brunswick shooter

A young man charged with fatally shooting three RCMP officers and wounding two others in Moncton, N.B., last

month will return to court July 31 after undergoing a psychiatric assessment.

Justin Bourque, 24, is facing three first-degree murder charges and two counts of attempted murder.

The Crown agreed to the defence request to send Bourque for a psychiatric assessment.

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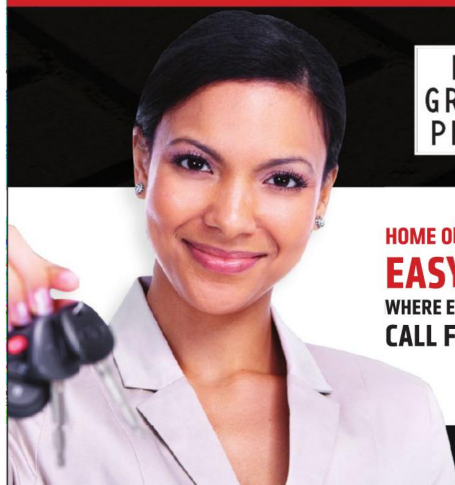
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Scarred U.S. girl

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The family who says their three-year-old girl was asked to leave a KFC restaurant because of her scars won't directly accept a US \$30,000 donation from the chain but wants the money given to the foundation of a doctor who will work on her face. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Walgreens

Fired cashier gets \$180K settlement

U.S. drugstore chain Walgreens has agreed to pay US\$180,000 to a diabetic cashier who was fired after eating a \$1.39 bag of chips before paying for it during what she said was an attack of low blood sugar, federal officials said.

The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commis-

sion filed a discrimination suit against the company three years ago.

According to the suit, the 18-year Walgreens employee paid for the bag of chips the same day she ate them.

The San Francisco Chronicle reported that Walgreens apparently fired her for violating a company policy against eating food products before paying for them.

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Alaska

Strippers on boat too hot for some?

A new attraction on Alaska's Kodiak Island featuring exotic dancers who entertain fishermen on a converted crabbing boat has been shut down by the coast guard after someone reported a water taxi was overloaded as it transported patrons to the vessel. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Jim Galyon, top, shares a kiss with his brothers Ronnie, right, and Donnie in their Beavercreek, Ohio, home in this June 28 photo. The brothers, born Oct. 28, 1951, are hoping to be recognized later this year as the world's oldest conjoined twins. CORY MORSE-THE GRAND RAPIDS PRESS /THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Conjoined U.S. brothers close to outliving Siamese Twins

Guinness World Records. 62-year-old Galyon brothers also eyeing world's oldest conjoined twins record



Eng and Chang Bunker, the famous “Siamese Twins” born May 11, 1811, in Siam (now Thailand).
COURTESY WIKIPEDIA

Ohio brothers hoping to be recognized later this year as the world's oldest conjoined twins plan to celebrate Saturday as they hit a milestone they've been looking forward to for years.

Donnie and Ronnie Galyon of Beavercreek will be 62 years, eight months and seven days old, and they'll have outlived Eng and Chang Bunker, the famous 19th century "Siamese Twins."

"They are talking about it constantly, day in and day out," their younger brother, Jim Galyon, told the Dayton Daily News as he planned a celebratory block party. "They've been marking their calendar off every day, counting down to the day."

What they really want, though, is recognition from Guinness World Records. That could happen in October, when they would turn 63 and pass the record held by conjoined twins from Italy.

The brothers, who are joined at the abdomen, live with Jim and his wife in Beavercreek. The couple

began caring for the twins around the clock four years ago, when the men were in poor health. The community helped with a \$170,000 renovation to the home.

The twins performed in carnival sideshows and circuses until retiring in 1991 and now spend most of their time in a special bed created by a team from Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation Hospital in Grand Rapids, Mich., The Grand Rapids Press reported. The slightly offset backrests face each other, and the twins relax with their legs splayed, rather than taking turns lying on top of each other on a queen-sized bed as they used to do.

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The San Francisco-based company announced Thursday that Canadians are getting early access to its first mobile app, which is now available on Apple's App Store. The app will be rolling out to other countries in a couple of



Indiegogo's mobile app is available in Canada only, for now. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

months, said Indiegogo CEO Slava Rubin.

"Canada is a really important country for us, in terms of volume, it's the second-largest country for us in the world ...

and we send money to 70 to 100 countries a week," said Rubin, who added that an app for Google Android devices is expected before year's end. "The Canadian users have been great with their feedback and we feel like it's a great opportunity."

Entrepreneurs — or anyone with an idea — can post a fundraising drive on Indiegogo and seek supporters to help pay for their plan. Supporters are typically offered rewards in exchange for donating to help to get the idea off the ground.

Rubin said mobile usage on Indiegogo has grown dramatically in recent years and the new app is designed to help users support or launch campaigns on the go.

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Kid buying unauthorized apps? Don't blame us, argues Amazon

Amazon says that it is prepared to go to court against the Federal Trade Commission to defend itself against charges that it has not done enough to prevent children from making unauthorized in-app purchases.

The FTC alleged in a draft lawsuit released by Amazon that unauthorized charges by children on Amazon tablets have amounted to millions of dollars.

Seattle-based Amazon.

com Inc. said in a letter Tuesday to FTC chairwoman Edith Ramirez that it had already refunded money to parents who complained. It also said its parental controls go beyond what the FTC required from Apple when it imposed a \$32.5-million US fine on the company in January over a similar matter.

Amazon's Kindle Free Time app can limit how much time children spend

on Kindle tablets, and can require a personal identification number for in-app purchases, said Amazon spokesman Craig Berman.

"Parents can say — at any time, for every purchase that's made — that a PIN is required," he said.

By not agreeing to a settlement with the FTC, the company faces a potential lawsuit by the FTC in federal district court.

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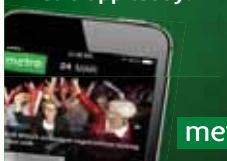
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SHIRTLESS ATTACKERS & THICKE CELEBS

1 Go Clara Hughes, go! The mental health crusader completed her epic 110-day, 11,000-kilometre Clara's Big Ride across Canada this week, finishing in Ottawa on Canada Day. She tweeted, "THANK YOU CANADA!! It is official the last km has been ridden!! #ClarasBigRide #struggle #joy #relief." No, thank "you" Clara. You've helped change the conversation around mental health.

2 Lowry re-sign leaves Raptors on a high. Raptors basketball junkies went nuts with the news Kyle Lowry has re-signed with Toronto. Make no mistake, this is one of the biggest re-signings in Raptors history, and further evidence the team is going through a true revival. Raps Global Ambassador Drake ought to write an ode to Lowry on behalf of the fans.

3 #TweetYourUnpopularOpinion. This hashtag became popular this week with tweets like "I think Christina Aguilera is a better singer than Beyoncé" and "I think



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woes. It's time for Robin to go to dear old dad Alan for help. #PersonalityMakeoverThicke.

butterflies are creepy." Mine: "Ketchup chips are the best." Sorry not sorry.

4 Shirtless, but not speechless. When Mayor Rob Ford marched in a Canada Day parade, he faced cheers — and jeers — including a shirtless jogger heckler (later identified as a teacher named Joe Killoran) — turned instant online celebrity/hero who unleashed an angry tirade at Ford that went viral. Every dude has now taken up jogging, and they're leaving their shirts at home.

5 Thicke skin. When you plan hashtag conversations on Twitter, bear in mind things can go horribly wrong. Exhibit A: The Twitter Q&A #AskThicke with Robin Thicke this week that was bombarded by questions about the crooner's misogynistic lyrics and marital

6 Historic Wimbledon. Canada is ace right now, as Milos Raonic and Eugenie Bouchard are the first Canadian singles players in the Open era to reach the Wimbledon semifinals (and Bouchard is the first to reach the finals). Awesome! This country is raining tennis balls, and no one double-fault me for serving that.

7 Moment app. Always making excuses for why you need to check your mobile? Well, a new free app helps you track just how much time you waste on your phone. Moment app helps smartphone users monitor their usage and perhaps change their habits, and live in the real world more. I checked my phone only 10 times in the course of writing this blurb.

8 Thunderstruck Lakefield, Ont., man Tim Rollwagen was photographing a storm on Canada Day when lightning struck the wire fence he was on. He tweeted seconds after, "Don't hold on to a wire fence when trying to get storm pics, just got blasted off by a lightning bolt that struck it. #onstorm #shaking." Now, ER gave him a clean bill of health, but he won't ever forget his July 1 fireworks.

GONE FISHIN'



A sea cormorant is placed in a basket to be transported to a fishing boat in Gifu, Japan. In this traditional fishing art, a cormorant master manages the birds to capture fish. For more photos of the hunt, scan this image with your Metro News app. CHRIS MCGRATH/GETTY IMAGES

Trout fishing in Gifu prefecture

Ukai is a traditional method of catching small Japanese trout by manipulating seabirds called cormorants in the Nagaragawa River. It's been taking place every year in Japan since the 700s.

Master trainers of

cormorants dressed in ancient costume freely manipulate 10 to 12 wild sea cormorants to skillfully catch small trout.

This fishing is performed every night between May 11 and Oct. 15 except during a full moon or in heavy rain.

The only illuminations are the pine torches lit on the boats.

Master trainers of cormorants belong to the Imperial Household Agency, and an important duty of theirs is to make offerings of small trout to the Emperor.

It is prescribed that in each generation the eldest son succeeds his father, and these men live with cormorants in order to train them every day.

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How it all goes down

Beginning at dusk, each fisherman leads about a dozen cormorants on leashes who swim alongside the boat and dive under the water to catch fish by swallowing them whole.

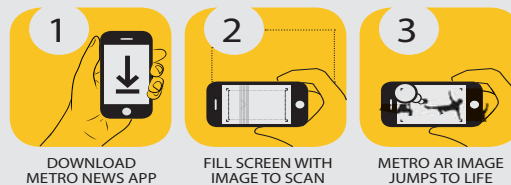
- The fish are kept in a special pouch in the cormorant's throat to be retrieved later.

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In this issue, you can find AR enhancements on page 8 in Scene and page 13 in Sports

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More Shakira than Shakira



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Rob Cantor here has a pretty solid knack for celebrity impressions, especially female performers. And in places where he doesn't get the voice exactly down, he nails the mannerisms.

But this isn't your standard "Said Number Of Celebrity Impressions In Three Minutes" clip. Instead, Mr. Cantor is taking his talents to YouTube to promote his new album by throwing his impressions at an original song.

Seriously, though. The female impressions are absurdly close. (robcantor/YouTube)



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Enjoy the Apes of summer

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN



Hot weather, cool movies. Sci-fi adventure, biopics, mature romantic comedy and sex are all on moviegoers' menu this summer

Richard: Mark, I was a huge Planet of the Apes fan as a kid. Loved the rubber masks, the twisty endings and the "YOU MANIACS! YOU BLEW IT UP!" scene still blows my mind.

Saw them over and over, and even enjoyed the bad ones like Conquest of the Planet of the Apes.

Today, as an adult, I have a full-sized Cornelius bust with



Chris Pratt roams through space in the summer sci-fi blockbuster *Guardians of the Galaxy*. DISNEY-MARVEL PHOTO

faux chimpanzee hair in my office. So, given my obsession with simian cinema, my inner 14-year-old goes a bit ape every time I see the Dawn of the Planet of the Apes trailer. What's got you excited this summer?

Mark: I'm a Planet of the Apes fan, too, Richard. The idea of animals acting like humans is a welcome change from my life in show business, where humans act like animals.

I'm really looking forward to *Lucy*, starring Scarlett Johansson in a Luc Besson revenge/action flick.

This is Scarlett's moment, and this is going to be the movie to make her a megastar. The trailer made me spill my popcorn!

RC: Johansson is doing

interesting work these days, splitting her time between rock 'em, sock 'em movies like *Captain America: The Winter Soldier* and smaller movies like *Chef* and *Under the Skin*.

Michael Fassbender has a similar career arc. We last saw him in *X-Men: Days of Future Past*. Next up he's in *Frank*, a strange indie based on the life of Frank Sidebottom, a real-life English musician who wore a giant papier-mâché head complete with painted-on eyes, ruby red lips and slicked-back hair.

I love Fassbender for still taking chances on movies like this when he could easily cash big Hollywood paycheques time after time.

MB: Sounds like one strange biopic, Richard! A

more commercial variant I'm looking forward to is *Get On Up*, the James Brown story starring Chadwick Boseman. The Godfather of Soul never wore a papier-mâché head, but he was big on ermine capes and tantrums, so this should be a lot of fun. And what a soundtrack it will be!

For life lessons and laughs, there's *And So It Goes*, a mature rom-com starring Michael Douglas and Diane Keaton. Bring your CARP card for discounts on soft-chew treats from the concession stand.

RC: I don't have a CARP card yet. I do like soft chew candies, however.

As far as movies go, I'm curious about *Guardians of the Galaxy*. So many of the summer's blockbusters have been oh-so-serious affairs

Flick picks

When the Reel Guys aren't at the movies, one of their favourite things to do is talk about going to the movies.

- This week Richard and Mark have a look at talking apes, a vengeful Scarlett Johansson, and a singer with a papier-mâché head and a talking raccoon.
- So throw some popcorn on the BBQ, crank up the air conditioning and enjoy the Reel Guys' most anticipated films of the summer season.

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→ *Guardians of the Galaxy* is expected to be a massive summer hit. Scan this photo with your Metro News app for a look at the trailer.

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that I think this one promises some good laughs and action.

MB: The cast suggests it might be more than your typical sci-fi adventure. But it's Jason Segel and Cameron Diaz in *Sex Tape* that gets me hot. Big laughs, lots of action, at least of the horizontal variety.

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Provocative director gets soft in latest film

Gerontophilia.

Bruce LaBruce insists it's still fetish first, despite his tale of intergenerational sex having a notable tinge of sweetness

Toronto filmmaker, underground pornographer and all-around boundary-baiting provocateur Bruce LaBruce has accomplished something downright outrageous with his latest picture, *Gerontophilia*: he made something accessible, tender and — gasp — sort of mainstream.

In the 50-year-old's estimation, it's perhaps the most shocking move he could have

made.

"I was expecting a certain amount of backlash (or) blow-back," the director said over coffee at last September's Toronto International Film Festival.

"I've made seven feature films pretty much all with explicit content, and suddenly to change gears and make something a little more accessible, possibly a little more mainstream — certainly done more within an industry context, government financing, my first union crew, etc.

"I would expect some raised eyebrows," he continued.

"I'm saying it's shocking sometimes not to be shocking. The scandal is that there is no scandal."

Still, fans of LaBruce's more nakedly daring work will still find layers of subtext to chew

on in what otherwise seems his first pleasant trifle.

Gerontophilia, which opens Friday in Toronto, centres on Lake (newcomer Pier-Gabriel Lajoie), an 18-year-old who takes a job in a nursing home. There, he develops feelings for an 81-year-old resident of the facility (portrayed by the estimable Walter Borden), and an unlikely romance blossoms.

Although there's a sweetness to the relationship and LaBruce's film in general, he's characteristically quick to undercut it. He wanted the film to be about a fetish — hence the title — and not a story of love overcoming a seemingly insurmountable difference.

In other words, Lake doesn't fall for Mr. Peabody in spite of their chasmic age disparity, but



Canadian director Bruce LaBruce says his new film is shocking for how mainstream it is. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quoted

"I would expect some raised eyebrows. I'm saying it's shocking sometimes not to be shocking. The scandal is that there is no scandal."

Bruce LaBruce on his film *Gerontophilia* being more mainstream than his other offerings.

precisely because of it.

"I very consciously made him not gay-identified — he has a girlfriend," LaBruce said of the younger character.

"I also consciously start out with his fetish first. That's why the film is about gerontophilia — he does have several encoun-

ters with old men where he gets excited.

"He doesn't quite understand why."

The film is LaBruce's first to be deemed acceptable for audiences as young as 14 in Canada, a fact that excited him.

While it isn't sexually ex-

plicit, LaBruce's camera does quite intentionally linger on Borden's body, and he acknowledges he was interested in the "strong taboo" of sex among the elderly.

"Even within a slightly more mainstream context, I wanted to have this kind of perhaps gently satiric aspect to the film," he said.

"It is the old man's body that is kind of quote-unquote objectified. He's the love object."

"He's the object of desire. And the camera explores his body."

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Ratings and synopses courtesy of Rotten Tomatoes. For more movie reviews, trailers and news go to RottenTomatoes.com. Ratings: Certified Fresh: 🍏 Fresh: 🍎 Rotten: 🍌 Audience response: 🌿 Audience anticipation for the film: ➕

Comedy



Tammy

Director. Ben Falcone

Stars. Melissa McCarthy, Susan Sarandon

Tammy (Melissa McCarthy) is having a bad day. She's totalled her clunker car, gotten fired from her thankless job at a greasy burger joint and, instead of finding comfort at home, finds her husband getting comfortable with the neighbour in her own house. It's time to take her boom box and book it. The bad news is she's broke and without wheels. The worse news is her grandma, Pearl (Susan Sarandon), is her only option — with a car and cash.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🌿 24% Audience: 🍌 60%

Horror



Deliver Us From Evil

Director. Scott Derrickson

Stars. Eric Bana, Edgar Ramirez

In *Deliver Us From Evil*, New York police officer Ralph Sarchie (Eric Bana), struggling with his own personal issues, begins investigating a series of disturbing and inexplicable crimes. He joins forces with an unconventional priest (Edgar Ramirez), schooled in the rituals of exorcism, to combat the frightening and demonic possessions that are terrorizing their city.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🌿 33% Audience: 🍌 63%

Comedy/Romance



Think Like a Man Too

Director. Tim Story

Stars. Adam Brody, Jerry Ferrara

In the highly anticipated sequel, which was inspired by Steve Harvey's best-selling book *Act Like a Lady, Think Like a Man*, all the couples are back for a wedding in Las Vegas. But plans for a romantic weekend go awry when their various misadventures get them into some compromising situations that threaten to derail the big event.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🌿 24% Audience: 🍌 71%

Drama



Tracks

Director. John Curran

Stars. Mia Wasikowska, Adam Driver

Director John Curran and the producers of *The King's Speech* bring you the film *Tracks*, which tells the true story of Robyn Davidson (Wasikowska), a young woman who leaves her life in the city to make a solo trek through almost 2,000 miles of sprawling Australian desert. Accompanied by only her dog and four unpredictable camels, she sets off on a life-changing journey of self-discovery.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🍌 84% Audience: ➕ 86%

Horror



The Sacrament

Director. Ti West

Stars. Amy Seimetz, Joe Swanberg

From acclaimed writer/director Ti West (*The House of the Devil*) and master of horror Eli Roth (*Hostel*), *The Sacrament* follows two journalists as they set out to document their friend's journey to find his missing sister. They travel to "Eden Parish," a self-sustained utopia. At the centre of this small, religious, socialist community is a mysterious leader known only as "Father."

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🍌 68% Audience: ➕ 74%

Action & Adventure



Earth to Echo

Director. Dave Green

Stars. Teo Halm, Astro

Tuck, Munch and Alex are a trio of inseparable friends whose lives are about to change. Their neighbourhood is being destroyed by a highway construction project that is forcing their families to move away. But before long, the boys begin receiving strange signals on their phones. Convinced something bigger is going on, they team up with another school friend, Emma, and set out to look for the source of their phone signals.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🌿 55% Audience: 🍌 63%

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Ryan Gosling and Rachel McAdams in 2004. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Gosling and McAdams weren't so cuddly on the set of The Notebook

To mark the 10th anniversary of *The Notebook*, surely it's appropriate to wax sentimental over the now-iconic love story, or reminisce about the subsequent off-screen romance between co-stars Ryan Gosling and Rachel McAdams.

Or, if you're *Notebook* director Nick Cassavetes, maybe it's time to tell the world just how much the co-stars disliked each other during filming.

In an interview with VH1, Cassavetes reveals that at one point, their bickering interrupted filming. "Maybe I'm not supposed to tell this story, but they were really not getting along one day on set. Really not. And Ryan came to me, and there's 150 people standing in this big scene, and he says, 'Nick come here.' And he's doing a scene with Rachel and he

says, 'Would you take her out of here and bring in another actress to read off camera with me?' I said, 'What?' He says, 'I can't. I can't do it with her. I'm just not getting anything from this.'

How did Cassavetes deal with that one? Apparently, he arranged for the stars to, er, talk it out. "We went into a room with a producer; they started screaming and yelling at each other. I walked out. At that point I was smoking cigarettes. I smoked a cigarette and everybody came out like, 'All right, let's do this.' And it got better after that, you know? They had it out ... I think Ryan respected her for standing up for her character and Rachel was happy to get that out in the open. The rest of the film wasn't smooth sailing, but it was smoother sailing." **METRO**

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Adam Levine takes on his first movie role pro bono

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Adam Levine is an attractive person. In fact, being attractive may be the thing he's best at, including being the rock star frontman for Maroon 5. So he should be totally fine monetizing that attractiveness on the silver screen, right?

Not so fast. Levine says he wants to take things slow as he learns his cinematic craft — that's why he took on his role in *Begin Again*, opposite Keira Knightley, as more or less an unpaid intern.

"I did this movie for no money. I'm very lucky that I'm in that position," he told *USA Today*. "I want to have good experiences. I don't want to do a bunch of (expletive) that I hate. I want to treat (acting) completely differently because I have the very fortunate luxury of not having to think of this in terms of money."

Between Maroon 5 and *The Voice*, Levine will probably never have to think of anything in terms of money again, up to and including trips to space, but he is a man of simpler pleasures: His favourite thing about being a rock star is apparently



restaurants. Adam Levine loves restaurants. "I can get a reservation at any restaurant in town at any town," he says in awe. "And that's the greatest thing about being me. Because I love to eat at many different restaurants."

So putting this all together, I'm pretty sure Adam Levine will star in my web series if I take him to some restaurants. I've gotta go make some calls.



Kim Kardashian and Kanye West

Kim and Kanye may take Manhattan (for a cool \$17M)

Newly married couple Kimye are reportedly apartment hunting in New York City, according to *People*. West already has an apartment in Soho, but apparently it isn't big enough for him, Kardashian and baby North West. Not to mention the ever-present *Keeping Up With The Kardashians* camera crew.

Kardashian and her moth-

er Kris reportedly looked at an apartment in Greenwich Village, listed for \$17.25 million US. According to the *New York Post*, the apartment boasts six bedrooms, seven bathrooms, private parking and a garden. The mom and daughter duo also reportedly looked at another apartment, on the penthouse floor, with a pool. Decisions, decisions. **METRO**

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My comments last week that I was determined to master the art of barbecuing salmon prompted some of you to send me everything from your own step-by-step instructions to links to YouTube vids.

I took your advice and, while I'm still no Iron Chef, things turned out just fine. Well, eatable at least.

There's a lot to love about salmon. Not only does it taste fantastic, its adaptability with wine continues to chip away at that old wives' tale that claims only whites go with fish. While your favourite glass of lightly-oaked chardonnay or off-dry riesling would make a good match, my palate prefers red.

With its typically round, plump berry flavours, pinot noir is the grape that's the yin to salmon's yang. Originally from France's Burgundy region, it's now grown worldwide with fantastic versions coming out of South America.

Cono Sur's 2013 Bicicleta Pinot Noir (\$10.95 - \$12.99) from Chile is one for the budget conscious. Soft and juicy with good varietal personality, it goes swimmingly with meatier fish.

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This recipe serves six. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

4th of July is spelled r-i-b-s

Memphis-Style Baby Back Ribs. Our neighbours to the south are celebrating their independence, and you can join in vicariously with this barbecue staple

1. Prepare a grill for medium-low (about 325 F) indirect cooking. In a charcoal grill, this means banking the hot coals to one side of the grill and cooking the ribs on the cooler side. In a gas grill, this means heating the grill with all burners on, but turning off the burners on one side just before putting the food on that side.

2. Remove silver skin from the backs of the ribs, if desired.

3. Place the soaked wood chips directly on the hot charcoals, or in smoking box if using a gas grill (place the box in the grill according to manufacturer directions). Cover the grill.

4. Rub the cut lemons all over the fronts and backs of the ribs, squeezing to release as much juice as possible. Set aside for 5 minutes, then sprinkle the ribs liberally with the barbecue rub. Let sit for 15 minutes.

5. Place the ribs, bone side down, in the centre of the cooking grate over the cooler side of the grill. Cover the grill and cook 1 1/2 to 2 hours, or until the meat is tender and has pulled back from the ends of the bones. Do not open the grill cover for at least the first 30 minutes. After that, if the ribs start to burn at the edges, stack them on top of one another in

the very centre of the grill and lower your heat slightly.

6. Twenty minutes before serving, un-stack the ribs if necessary, then brush with barbecue sauce. Remove the ribs from the grill and let rest 10 minutes before cutting into individual or 2- to 3-rib portions.

7. If desired, additional barbecue sauce can be warmed and

served alongside the ribs.

Classic Barbecue Rub

1. In bowl, combine all ingredients. Mix well. For a smoother rub, process the ingredients in a spice grinder until well combined and finely ground. The rub can be stored in an airtight container for up to 6 months.

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Ingredients

- 6 lbs baby back ribs
- 3 cups barbecue wood chips, soaked in water for 1 hour
- 2 lemons, halved
- 1/4 cup barbecue rub (see recipe below)
- 16-oz bottle barbecue sauce
- **Classic Barbecue Rub**
- 3 tbp granulated sugar
- 2 tbsp smoked paprika
- 2 tbsp kosher salt
- 2 tbsp packed dark brown sugar
- 1 tbsp ground cumin
- 1 tbsp ground black pepper
- 1 tbsp onion powder
- 1 tbsp garlic powder
- 2 tsp chili powder
- 1/2 tsp cayenne pepper

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Up to your deck in maintenance?

A quality stain can ease the pain. Treat surfaces with premium products and an annual power wash to extend the life of your deck

Decks have become an essential feature of a modern home and a hub of activity for life in the summer, so most homeowners would rather spend their time enjoying them, not maintaining surfaces.

The weather across Canada, from snow to rain and hot sun, can cause serious deck maintenance issues, such as a need for sanding and staining every few years for optimal appearance and durability.

"With the Vancouver weather, we get lots of requests for low-maintenance decks," says Jobie Mallett, owner of Vancouver's Little Star Renovations. "People want low maintenance, but I always tell them it doesn't matter what you put on, there is always going to be some kind

of maintenance."

Instead of talking low maintenance with his clients, Mallett says he tries to divert their thinking to long-lasting because, if nothing else, homeowners will have to power wash their deck every year to extend its life.

"It often comes down to the kind of stain they use," he says. "That is a big deal. People pick cheaper stains and end up having huge maintenance issues down the road."

Mallett says when a homeowner is spending \$10,000 on a deck, an extra \$200 on well-trusted premium stain is pennies when you consider the amount of maintenance needed in future if you put on a bad product.

"I've seen so many people put on a cheap stain because it has a big-box store label on it, and then they have huge issues down the road because they have to try and remove the old stain to put a new one on," he says. "You get what you pay for, but it is well worth the money to buy a premium stain."

Like Mallett, Joshua Czer-

Annual upkeep

- Clearing snow from a deck protects the wood and also prevents potential collapse of the deck itself if there's a heavy buildup of the white stuff.
- Washing annually helps remove leaves and pollen, which can eventually lead to mould, mildew and algae.

winski, sales and design manager/owner of Paramount Custom Decks Inc. in Edmonton, says low maintenance is a huge request from his customers when it comes to decking and related products.

"In the last five to 10 years the low-maintenance products have improved substantially," says Czerwinski. "The selection out there is a lot bigger than it was. The problems and warranty claims have been going down drastically. The products, in my opinion, are a lot better."

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Low maintenance has become the biggest request from homeowners when it comes to decks, but experts say some maintenance will give the investment a longer life. ALL PHOTOS MONIKAH WISEMAN/PARAMOUNT CUSTOM DECKS/THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Rodriguez 'happy' with ace

Nova Scotia Open.

Mexican golfer posts 63 for course record and two-shot lead

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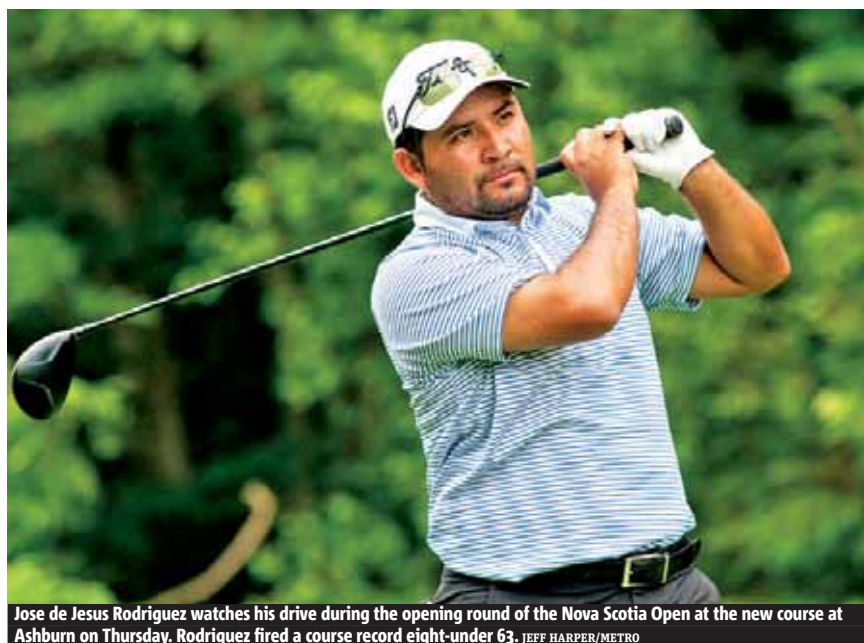
One simple word summed up how Jose de Jesus Rodriguez of Mexico felt after knocking in a hole-in-one Thursday during Round 1 of the Nova Scotia Open.

"Happy," a smiling Rodriguez said after finishing up an 18-hole day at Ashburn Golf Club in Windsor Junction and wiping the sweat off his brow.

Rodriguez used a nine-iron to ace the 166-yard fifth hole, claiming the first hole-in-one of this week's tournament, which runs through Sunday.

He finished his day eight under par, to claim top of the leaderboard going into Round 2 on Friday.

"I've had five hole-in-ones," he said of the rare accomplishment on any course. "Three in tournaments and two in prac-



Jose de Jesus Rodriguez watches his drive during the opening round of the Nova Scotia Open at the new course at Ashburn on Thursday. Rodriguez fired a course record eight-under 63. JEFF HARPER/METRO

tice rounds."

Rodriguez finished second on the 2013 PGA Tour Latinoamerica, helping earn him a spot the Web.com Tour, a

PGA development tournament that includes the Nova Scotia Open, its only Canadian stop.

"This is my first time here in Nova Scotia," Rodriguez

said. "It's beautiful here."

David Skinns of England sits in a three-way tie for second, shooting a six-under 65, despite a bogey on the

Leaderboard

1. Jose Rodriguez, Mexico: -8

T-2. David Skinns, England: -6

T-2. James Sachec, U.S.: -6

T-2. Aaron Goldberg, U.S.: -6

T-5. Henrik Norlander, Sweden: -5

T-5. Adam Hadwin, Canada: -5

18th hole.

"It's not that easy out there — the winds blowing," he said of teeing off on Ashburn's new course under grey skies that hinted at potential hurricane weather to come this weekend. "I'm happy with six under."

Skinns said the greens got "pretty tricky" along the way.

"They were firm when we started, and then they seemed to soften up a little as the day went on," he said of humidity hanging in the air. "You've just got to leave your ball in the right place."

Local golfers having fun, despite some early hiccups



Peter Campbell putts on the 18th hole. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Nova Scotia's local golf gurus got off to a slow start Thursday at the Nova Scotia Open.

Eric Banks of Truro finished tied for 132nd, recording a 4-over 75, while Peter Campbell of Baddeck completed the day tied for 153rd, posting an 8-over 79.

Both earned exemptions to join this stop of the Web.com Tour, and are thrilled to compete on a home province course where family can cheer them on from the gallery.

"We love getting back here," Campbell said after finishing up for the day at Ashburn Golf Club in Windsor Junction.

The PGA Canada Tour member is currently based out of Windermere, Fla., with his wife and two-year-old daughter.

"I find the courses down there, especially in Florida, they're all a little flatter," he said.

"But I like these kinds of golf courses; I like coming

back home to play them."

Banks even had family inside the ropes — his father, Hazen, accompanied him as his caddy.

"It's definitely pretty sweet," Banks said of getting to play in Nova Scotia for his first-ever Web.com Tour event.

He's currently attending the University of Florida and is competing at Ashburn as an amateur.

Banks said his fellow golfers seem to think "the greens

are pretty crazy; they've got some big slopes in them."

"(I) kind of knew what to expect," he said. "I putted pretty well on my longer putts today, and that's part of the reason why."

Banks seemed to have shaken out his first-day jitters by the time he reached his back nine. He was 4 over at the turn then shot even coming in.

"(I just) need to make a few more putts, and hit a little better." KRISTEN LIPSCOMBE/METRO

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Finally! Bouchard breaks through to Wimbledon final

Defeats Halep. Third time's the charm for Canadian phenom as she reaches her first Grand Slam title match

Canada's Eugenie Bouchard stumbled in her first two Grand Slam semifinal appearances this year.

The third time proved to be the charm Thursday at the All England Club.

Bouchard defeated Romania's Simona Halep 7-6 (5), 6-2 to become the first Canadian to advance to the women's singles final at Wimbledon. It was the latest achievement in what has already been a historic run for Bouchard at the sport's most prestigious event.

"After doing well in the past few (Grand) Slams, I've been believing since the beginning of the tournament that I can do really well," she said. "I'm just trying to take it one match at a time. It's really important not to get ahead of ourselves."

"I totally feel like I belong, and I'm just so excited for the next match."

The 20-year-old from Westmount, Que., has yet to lose a set in her six matches so far at Wimbledon. No Canadian had ever reached the women's singles quarter-finals here in the Open era — never mind the



Eugenie Bouchard serves to Simona Halep during their women's singles semifinal match on Thursday at Wimbledon. CARL COURT/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

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final — before Bouchard.

There could be a Canadian in the men's singles final as well. Milos Raonic of Thornhill, Ont., will take on Switzerland's Roger Federer on Friday with

a berth in Sunday's championship on the line.

The 13th-seeded Bouchard will next face sixth-seeded Petra Kvitova on Saturday.

"To get to my first Grand Slam final, it's very exciting. It's what I've worked so long for, you know," Bouchard said. "So I'm just proud of myself for today's effort."

Kvitova, the 2011 Wimbledon champion, beat fellow Czech left-hander Lucie Safarova 7-6 (6), 6-1 in the other semifinal. Kvitova beat Bouchard 6-3, 6-2 in their only previous meeting, a second-round Rogers Cup match in Toronto last August. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



James has golden glow

World Cup scoring leader James Rodriguez controls the ball from the ground on Thursday in Fortaleza, Brazil. Rodriguez, whose five goals put him one ahead of Argentina's Lionel Messi, Brazil's Neymar and Germany's Thomas Mueller, will try to continue his magical tournament when Colombia takes on Brazil on Friday. EITAN ABRAMOVICH/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

France vs. Germany

"There is a form of insouciance with the younger players."

They're full of life, that's what you expect from a younger player. But it's also a question of quality."

France coach Didier Deschamps, explaining how his young club will deal with the pressure of playing powerhouse Germany in their World Cup quarter-final on Friday in Rio de Janeiro. Go to metronews.ca for more World Cup coverage.



Netherlands vs. Costa Rica

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Costa Rica will be looking to shut down Dutch strikers of Arjen Robben and Robin van Persie, who are looking to get back on the scoring sheet after combining for six goals in their team's first two matches but failing to find the net since. The Netherlands are the top-scoring nation in Brazil with 12 goals through four games heading into Saturday's quarter-final in Salvador.



Robin van Persie GETTY IMAGES

NHL

Sill the one: Truro player lands 2-way deal with Penguins

Zach Sill will be a Penguin for at least one more year.

The Birch Hill native signed a one-year, two-way deal on Thursday morning, keeping him in the Penguins organization for his sixth season.

The deal is worth \$550,000 in the NHL.

"It feels good," he said. "It was a good choice by me, a comfortable choice. I know everybody there and it's a real good club."

Sill spent four seasons with the Penguins' American Hockey League affiliate, Wilkes-Barre/Scranton, before making his NHL debut last season. In 20 big league games, Sill was held scoreless, but played a key energy role on an injury-depleted roster. He also helped Wilkes-Barre/Scranton into the AHL Eastern Conference finals last season. **TRURO DAILY NEWS**

MLB

O's perched atop AL East perch with Jays

Steve Pearce had a career-high four hits and drove in two runs, and Wei-Yin Chen shut down Texas again as the Baltimore Orioles completed a four-game sweep of the Rangers with a 5-2 victory on Thursday night.

Baltimore's win and Toronto's 4-1 loss in Oakland moved the Orioles (46-39) into a first-place tie with the Blue Jays (47-40) in the AL East. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

You have to accept what is taking place in your life, even though you may not approve of it. There are times when even an Aries must bend with the breeze and this is one of them.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

You like to take initiative but though you will have to yield to those who do not share your sense of adventure. It may be frustrating but you can't change it so don't let it upset you.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

There will be times today when you could scream at people who refuse to see sense but keep quiet. Your way of doing things may indeed be best but no amount of threats will change their minds.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Don't worry if you upset someone today because you need to let others know you won't be pushed around. It may mean the end of a friendship but that's a small price to pay for securing your freedom.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Yes, of course, you have a right to say what you think but don't forget that others have the right to hit back if they so choose. If you clash with someone whose ideas are at odds with your own there could be fireworks today.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

What happens over the next 24 hours will bring you down to earth with a bump but maybe that's good. Your head has been up there in the clouds a bit too long. Come back to reality.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

You have allowed certain people to get away with things they did not deserve to get away with. Now you must balance things out and see to it that they pay for their mistakes.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

If there are any loose ends in your affairs, you must deal with them over the next 24 hours. If you leave them flapping in the breeze they will trip you up sooner or later — likely sooner.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

This may be a difficult day for you but it can also be a day when you learn something to your advantage. If you are torn between the future and the past, choose the future.

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

There is no point trying to force the pace because the Sun opposing Pluto in your sign won't let you — and will remind you where the real power lies. Also, focus on finishing what has been started.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

The quality you most need today is patience. Come the weekend you will be able to start doing things again but over the next 24 hours control your urge to push ahead.

♓ Pisces

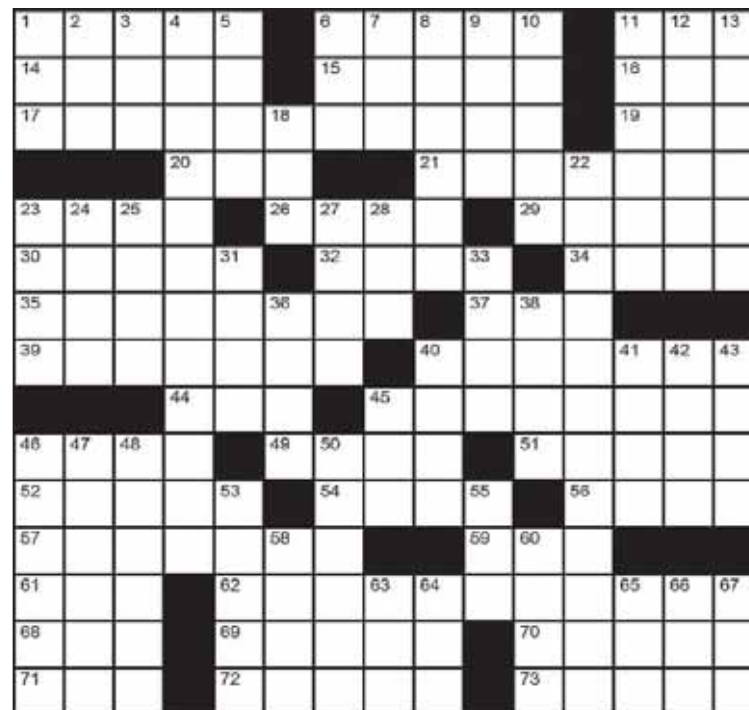
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For some reason you seem to be afraid of your own shadow — even though most things in your life are going well. Don't let fear hold you back from doing something creative today. Once you start your confidence will return. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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- Actress Anne
- Up ___ (Stuck)
- Last word in #17-Across' answer, to J.Lo
- Bryan Adams/Tina Turner duet: 3 wds.
- Tip to 'mania'
- Alphabet trio
- Type of riding boot or pant
- Vigour
- Prima donna
- ___ the table (Don't eat in front of the TV)
- Scoundrel
- Broadway musical
- Mattel products
- ___ Passage (Locale of PEI-to-New-Brunswick's Confederation Bridge in the Northumberland Strait)
- ___ and outs
- Plectrum-played instruments
- Canuck creatures
- Canada's financial TV channel
- PEI community; or, sweater closed with buttons
- ___ name (Techie



- identification)
- Glaswegian
- 'Pain'-meaning suffix
- Character in Haida mythology
- Unluckily
- Lengthy
- Montreal's ecosystem tourist attraction

- Toronto Blue Jays mascot
- 'A' of ATV
- County or River in New Brunswick
- Oct.'s follower
- Mannerism
- "Hogwash!"
- Yore's 'before'
- Toast starter...
- Steve Miller

- Band's "Fly Like an ___"
Down
- Fraternity letter
 - Permit
 - House temp. coolers
 - ___ horses (Stakes racers at #1-Across)
 - Morns opposites
 - Refuser's reply

- MLB Braves, on scoreboards
- Hector, in ancient Greek mythology
- Prefix that means 'to the left'
- Pre-being-a-plant plantees
- Compulsive thief, in slang
- Sudbury-born

- hockey great Ron
- Summertime wear
- Company name abbr.
- Motown mecca: 2 wds.
- World Cup 2014 host [abbr.]
- TV psychotherapist Dr. Ludwig
- "___ Around" by The Beach Boys
- Van Gogh flower
- Horse's healing helper
- "Trainspotting" (1996) star Bremner
- Grouping
- Coastal birds
- ___ Surf (Rock band)
- The ___ Shoe Museum, in Toronto
- Famous waffle
- "___ Man" (1988)
- Hosiery hitch
- Mil. officer
- Sophisticated
- Aye-saying guy
- Progress
- ___ salad
- ___ Bay, ON
- Droop
- 'Mother' in Montreal
- Get along
- Neckwear
- TGIF part
- MasterCard transaction [abbr.]
- "Shallow ___" (2001)
- Pastureland parent

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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku

7	2	9	4	3	8	6	1	5
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8	6	5	1	7	9	2	4	3
6	3	2	7	1	5	8	9	4
4	5	1	9	8	2	3	7	6
9	8	7	6	4	3	5	2	1
3	9	4	8	6	7	1	5	2
5	1	6	2	9	4	7	3	8
2	7	8	3	5	1	4	6	9

		4					8	
6	9						5	1
		5	3			7	6	
9				7	1		4	
				3				
	5		4	2				9
	4	8			9	1		
5	6						7	2
	7					6		

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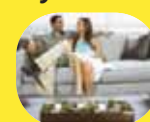
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